



Town of Weare Parks and Recreation

***Meeting Minute
August 18, 2009***

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: ~7:16pm

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Gene Propper, Chuck Metcalf, Valerie King, Tom Reynolds and Jim Blouin (arrived during New/Old Business)

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

- Decision made to postpone vote until the next meeting.

BOLTON FIELD:

- The fences (one along the soccer fields and one along the football field adjacent to the lower parking area) are in place. Blue Ribbon Fence and Landscaping completed the work for \$7,380. A bill is forthcoming.

FIELD USAGE:

- Lake Horace Landowner's Association would like Chase Park to remain open so the public can view the fireworks the night of 8/22 (later changed to 9/5). The gate will need to be left open until 10:30/11:00pm. Discussion regarding providing a key to Marine Patrol so they can access to the lake during the festivities. Decision made to provide a key to Marine Patrol and instruct them to use the key to let themselves on and off the lake, but not to allow anyone else onto the lake. Staff will be instructed to clean the bathrooms at the end of the day and leave the doors open when they leave for the night.

Chuck made a motion to provide a boat ramp key to Marine Patrol so they can access the lake during the fireworks festivities. Tom seconded the motion. 3-0-1 (Gene abstained due to his involvement with the Lakeowner's Association.

- The Way Home (a non-profit based in Manchester) has asked to use Chase Park for a company picnic on Friday, Sept 25th from 1-5. Approximately 20 people will be in attendance. Someone will need to open the gate and bathrooms. Chuck will ask Kathy to open and close the gate at her convenience that day to accommodate request. If she is not available, Valerie can do it on her way to and from work that day.

CHASE PARK STAFF APPRECIATION DAY:

- Staff invited to join us for a cookout on September 13th (later changed to August 31st). The cookout was seen as a good way to thank staff for another great summer while using up the food and supplies leftover from the summer

concert series. Gene will arrange the BBQ with Val's help. Kathy will notify staff. Chuck look into getting a grill.

REVIEW OF THE BUDGET:

- See spreadsheets provided by Tom.
- Concerns expressed regarding the high electric bill for the Gazebo area. There are very few lights in this area, yet the bill is higher than other facilities with more lighting. Tom will contact PSNH with our concerns.
- Revenue and wages (Chase Park) are both down this year due to the rainy weather.

NEW AND OLD BUSINESS:

- Poison Ivy at Ineson needs to be addressed.
- Bill from Cutting Blade in question. No member of PARC recalls ever requesting Cutting Blade to address the tree/ice damage at the Tennis Courts. Chuck will speak to Bruce about it. Perhaps another Department requested this work.
- Jim has placed locks on the new gates at Bolton.
- Decision made to hold off on the fertilizing and aerating the fields until we are closer to the end of the season.
- Jim requested the addition of 11 sprinkler heads to the football field (adding one sprinkler head to each of the 11 existing zones). This will extend the sprinklers into the new grass area along the concession stand side of the field (where the new grass is struggling to survive due to dry conditions). The cost is expected to be approximately \$1,500.

Chuck made a motion to spend up to \$1,500 from the ball field maintenance fund for the purpose of adding 1 additional sprinkler head to each of the existing (11) zones, with the condition that this expenditure does not bring the fund balance below \$4,000. Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried. 5-0-0.

- Calcium treatment needed again at Bolton to keep the dust down. Possibility of splitting cost with WAC and JSGFA. If split, it would cost PARC about \$150.

Chuck made a motion to spend up to \$150 for dust control on the access road to Bolton Field. Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0-0.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:35pm